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Applicant(s):

Paul M. Jessop et al.

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For (title):

PIPETTE TIP PACKAGING AND TRANSFER SYSTEM

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

to deposit account no. 20-1469.

Check no. in the amount of \$ for the presentation of extra claims as calculated in the remarks section below.

X Preliminary amendment.

Amendment or other communication in response to the non-final office action mailed .

Amendment or other communication under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 in response to the final office action mailed.

Petition for Extension of Time in duplicate with check no. in the amount of \$.

Verified statement(s) to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 signed by (or on behalf of).

Information disclosure statement and information disclosure citation form PTO-1449 with copies of listed documents.

Remarks:

An amendment has been made involving one or more claims in the application. The calculation to determine whether any additional fee is due is presented below.

1 2 3	\$EXTRA
Total claims 7 - 20 = 0 x 18.00 =	0.00
Indep. claims $1 - 3 = 0 \times 78.00 =$	0.00
First presentation of a multiple dep. claim (+260.00)	
SUBTOTAL	0.00
Reduction for small entity - 50% of subtotal*	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE (subtotal minus any reduction)	0.00

^{*}Verified statement(s) must be attached to support this reduction if small entity status has not been previously established.

- 1 Claims remaining after amendment.
- 2 Highest number of claims previously paid for. Not less than 20 for total claims and 3 for independent claims.
- 3 Difference between claims remaining and highest number previously paid for. If less than zero, enter "0."

The commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required but not submitted with any document or request requiring fee payment under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 to deposit account no. 20-1469 during the entire pendency of this application.

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